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Mr. CELLER introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on the Judiciary

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A BILL

To require the registration of certain persons who have knowledge of or have received instruction or assignment in the espionage, counterespionage, or sabotage service or tactics of a foreign government or foreign political party, and for other purposes.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*
3 That section 20 of the Internal Security Act of 1950 is
4 amended by repealing subsection (a), and by deleting the
5 designation “(b)” which appears in said section.

6 SEC. 2. Except as provided in section 3 of this Act,
7 every person who has knowledge of, or has received instruc-
8 tion or assignment in, the espionage, counterespionage, or
9 sabotage service or tactics of a government of a foreign

1 country or of a foreign political party, shall register with the
2 Attorney General by filing with the Attorney General a
3 registration statement in duplicate, under oath, prepared and
4 filed in such manner and form, and containing such ~~informa-~~
5 ~~tion~~ *statements, information, or documents pertinent to the*
6 *purposes and objectives of this Act* as the Attorney General,
7 having due regard for the national security and the public
8 interest, by regulations prescribes.

9 SEC. 3. The registration requirements of section 2 of
10 this Act do not apply to any person—

11 (a) who has obtained knowledge of or received
12 instruction or assignment in the espionage, counter-
13 espionage, or sabotage service or tactics of a foreign
14 government or foreign political party by reason of
15 civilian, military, or police service or employment with
16 the United States Government, the governments of the
17 several States, their political subdivisions, the District
18 of Columbia, the Territories, or the Canal Zone;

19 (b) who has obtained such knowledge solely by
20 reason of academic or personal interest not under the
21 supervision of or in preparation for service with the
22 government of a foreign country or a foreign political
23 party;

24 (c) who has made full disclosure of such knowl-
25 edge, instruction, or assignment to officials within an

1 agency of the United States Government having respon-
2 sibilities in the field of intelligence, which disclosure has
3 been made a matter of record in the files of such agency,
4 and concerning whom a written determination has been
5 made by the Attorney General or the Director of Central
6 Intelligence that registration would not be in the interest
7 of national security;

8 (d) whose knowledge of, or receipt of instruction
9 or assignment in, the espionage, counterespionage, or
10 sabotage service or tactics of a government of a foreign
11 country or of a foreign political party, is a matter of
12 record in the files of an agency of the United States
13 Government having responsibilities in the field of intelli-
14 gence and concerning whom a written determination is
15 made by the Attorney General or the Director of Central
16 Intelligence, based on all information available, that
17 registration would not be in the interest of national
18 security;

19 (e) who is a duly accredited diplomatic or consular
20 officer of a foreign government, who is so recognized by
21 the Department of State, while he is engaged exclusively
22 in activities which are recognized by the Department
23 of State as being within the scope of the functions of
24 such officer, and any member of his immediate family
25 who resides with him;

1 (f) Who is an official of a foreign government
2 recognized by the United States, whose name and status
3 and the character of whose duties as such official are
4 of record in the Department of State, and while he is
5 engaged exclusively in activities which are recognized
6 by the Department of State as being within the scope of
7 the functions of such official, and any member of his
8 immediate family who resides with him;

9 (g) who is a member of the staff of or employed by
10 a duly accredited diplomatic or consular officer of a
11 foreign government who is so recognized by the Depart-
12 ment of State, and whose name and status and the
13 character of whose duties as such member or employee
14 are a matter of record in the Department of State,
15 while he is engaged exclusively in the performance of
16 activities recognized by the Department of State as being
17 within the scope of the functions of such member or
18 employee;

19 (h) who is an officially acknowledged and spon-
20 sored representative of a foreign government and is in
21 the United States on an official mission for the purpose
22 of conferring or otherwise cooperating with United
23 States intelligence or security personnel;

24 ~~(i) who is a member of a force of a NATO country~~
25 ~~who enters the United States under the provisions of~~

1 ~~article III, paragraph (1) of the Agreement Regarding~~
2 ~~Status of Forces of Parties of the North Atlantic Treaty,~~
3 ~~or who is a civilian or one of the military personnel of a~~
4 ~~foreign armed service who has been invited to the~~
5 ~~United States for training purposes at the request of a~~
6 ~~military department of the United States; or~~

7 *(i) who is a civilian or one of the military personnel*
8 *of a foreign armed service coming to the United States*
9 *pursuant to arrangements made under a mutual defense*
10 *treaty or agreement, or who has been invited to the*
11 *United States at the request of an agency of the United*
12 *States Government; or*

13 *(j) who is a person designated by a foreign govern-*
14 *ment to serve as its representative in or to an interna-*
15 *tional organization in which the United States par-*
16 *ticipates or is an officer or employee of such an organ-*
17 *ization or who is a member of the immediate family of,*
18 *and resides with, such a representative, officer, or em-*
19 *ployee.*

20 SEC. 4. The Attorney General shall retain in permanent
21 form one copy of all registration statements filed under this
22 Act. They shall be public records and open to public exam-
23 ination ~~and inspection~~ at such reasonable hours and under
24 such regulations as the Attorney General prescribes, except
25 that the Attorney General, having due regard for the na-

1 tional security and public interest, may withdraw any regis-
2 tration statement from public examination ~~and inspection.~~

3 SEC. 5. The Attorney General may at any time, make,
4 prescribe, amend, and rescind such rules, regulations, and
5 forms as he deems necessary to carry out the provisions of
6 this Act.

7 SEC. 6. (a) Whoever willfully violates any provision of
8 this Act or any regulation thereunder, or in any registration
9 statement willfully makes a false statement of a material fact
10 or willfully omits any material fact, shall be fined not more
11 than \$10,000 or imprisoned for not more than five years,
12 or both.

13 (b) Any alien convicted of a violation of this Act or any
14 regulation thereunder is subject to deportation in the manner
15 provided by chapter 5, title II, of the Immigration and
16 Nationality Act (66 Stat. 163).

17 SEC. 7. Failure to file a registration statement as re-
18 quired by this Act is a continuing offense for as long as such
19 failure exists, notwithstanding any statute of limitation or
20 other statute to the contrary.

21 SEC. 8. Compliance with the registration provisions of
22 this Act does not relieve any person from compliance with
23 any other applicable registration statute.

24 SEC. 9. If any provision of this Act or the application

- 1 thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, the
- 2 remainder of the Act, and the application of such provisions
- 3 to other persons or circumstances, is not affected thereby.

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